

CLAIMS

1. **(Currently Amended)** A device for dispensing plastic bags joined end to end and into a roll and severable from one another by a perforated ~~transverse tear line and engageable slot arrangement~~ transverse tear line arrangement including an engageable slot operating between successive of the bags, said roll having a free end, comprising: ~~a dispenser box, and a support stand,~~

(a) a support stand, said support stand including an elongated support member, and a central base plate for supporting the stand on the ground and vertically orienting ~~the said~~ elongated support member, and

(b) a dispenser box, said dispenser box including a base member, said base member being connected atop said elongated support member and including a first edge portion, a plurality of walls including a front wall and an opposed rear wall, said walls being angularly disposed with respect to said base ~~projecting upwardly from said base member~~ to form therewith an inner compartment sized to receive and store at least one roll of bags, ~~further wherein~~ said walls include a front wall and a rear wall opposed to ~~a rear wall and~~ said front wall, said front wall includes a ~~second~~ bottom edge portion, ~~the said front edge portion portions and said bottom edge portion~~ being in juxtaposed spaced-apart relation with one another and forming a discharge opening that extends across the bottom edge of the said front wall ~~box~~ for dispensing bags outwardly from the inner compartment, a ramp in said compartment and atop said base member for supporting the roll, said ramp sloping downwardly between the rear wall and the front wall of the box to enable the roll to roll downwardly and position ~~the said~~ the said free end of the roll against ~~the said~~ said front wall and at ~~the said~~ said discharge opening, and a hook projecting upwardly from one of said edge ~~portion portions~~ portions, said hook sloping rearwardly from ~~the said~~ said front wall towards ~~the said~~ said

rear wall, ~~the~~ said hook member adapted to be hooked into ~~the~~ said slot provided in ~~the~~ said perforated tear line when ~~the free~~ a bag is pulled outwardly through the discharge opening, said hook detaching said ~~and detach the outer~~ bag from the roll when a sufficient pulling force is placed on said ~~the outer~~ bag to sever the perforated tear line.

2. **(Currently Amended)** A device for dispensing plastic bags from rolls, in accordance with claim 1, further comprising:

at least one dividing wall, said dividing wall being disposed inside said compartment and extending between said ~~the~~ front and rear walls to create two distinct compartments, each compartment having a and discharge openings opening, the openings being in lateral side by side relation, each said distinct compartment ~~thus formed~~ being dimensioned to accommodate a respective roll, and

at least one of the compartments having the hook disposed thereof.

~~two hooks, each said hook being disposed in a respective of the two distinct compartments and proximate to the discharge opening thereof, each said hook sloping rearwardly from the front wall towards the rear wall.~~

3. **(Currently Amended)** A device for dispensing plastic bags from rolls, in accordance with claim 1, ~~characterized~~ wherein:

~~in that~~ said elongated support member is generally tubular and has a central axis and an upper end distal to said base plate, said ~~the~~ upper end of ~~the~~ said elongated support member being fixed connected to said ~~the~~ base member of said ~~the~~ dispenser box ~~in a manner that~~ and said ~~the~~ dispenser box being is eccentrically fixed to said central base plate of said

support stand ~~and the discharge opening of the dispenser box for extracting and detaching the bags is found generally centered along said axis~~, in order to avoid instability of said the structure while detaching a bag from said the roll.

4. **(Currently Amended)** A device for dispensing plastic bags from rolls, in accordance with claim 1, ~~characterized wherein:~~

~~in that said central base plate has a heavier mass such that has an outer dimension and comprised of a material having sufficient mass, which dimension and mass cooperate to prevent pulling forces placed on said free end of said roll are unable to create bags atop the support stand from tipping the support stand, in order to avoid instability of said the structure support stand and said dispenser box while detaching a said bag from said the roll.~~

5. **(Currently Amended)** A device for dispensing plastic bags from rolls, in accordance with claim 1, ~~characterized comprising: in that said box incorporates an openable and closeable upper lid.~~

6. **(Cancelled)** A device for dispensing plastic bags from rolls, in accordance with claim 1, characterized in that said said elongated support member includes opposite upper and lower end portions, respectively, secured to the central base plate and spaced therefrom, said upper end portion being at an angle to the axis passing through the support member and forming a truncated end face, the truncated end face being connected to the base member of the dispenser box to angle the dispenser box relative to the connection with the support member.

7. **(Currently Amended)** A device for dispensing plastic bags from rolls, in accordance with claim 1, characterized wherein: ~~in that~~ said central base plate is fixed to the ground, in order to avoid instability of said ~~the~~ structure while detaching a said bag from said ~~the~~ roll.